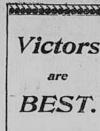
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When the Democratic party swept and 1892, electing a President and publican party did not change its and maining this great work."

principles or surrender its organiza

that are really disgusting to the more reason to suppose that the Lynchburg News. Democrats cannot win again in 1896 than the Republicans had to suppose that they would win by such a sweeping majority this time, or than the Democrats had to expect their great victories in 1890-'92. We need not expect victory, however, in 1896, or any other year, if we drift into de spair and lukewarmness, and fail to at oucc reorganize our shattered forces on right lines. That we may do so it is well to read what some of our leading men have to say upon the subject. We already know the real causes of our late defeat, and it is easy to comprehend the only reme dy that can be successfully applied. When asked the other day his opin ion up on the subject, Secretary Mor

ton said: "Well, that must depend entirely upon the men who have the courage of their convictions. We need now men who will consider public ques tions without regard to their own future preferment or popularity. We have had too many in high positions to whom the question, 'How shall I be renominated and re elected' has been paramount to all other issues. Ja short, we have had a great many in public life 'for revenue only.' We n ad a real sincere patriotism, which will study the good of all, rather than the advancement of one. That sort of patriotism is genuine Demo cracy. We need leaders who prefer to die with their self respect rather than to live and retain office without

Secretary Bayard gives his opin and while we do not take him always as the best guide, his views

worth printing. He says: I don't want to run afoul of as gentlemen who wore responsi ble for the delay in passing the tar iff bill, but, as I say, the path of duty is unmistakable, and the neces sity for pure Democratic tariff legislation was never as great as it is now. The bills for free raw mate rials should be passed immediately, and then the country will be able to contemplate the Democratic idea of the tariff in full working order for two years before another national election rolls around. If this is done I have little four that the verdict will be satisfactory in 1896."

In a lotter written by Hon. Wm. I Wilson en the Democratic disaster including his own defeat, he says:

"I do not believe that the people have rebuked tariff reform in their action last Tuesday, for when I look the whole country I do not find

ducing the tariff. In every campaign,

Of course there are some, if not

## AS BAD AS THE WORST.

Since the election Senator Sher man, of Ohio, has been quoted in a published interview thus:

"I do not regard the present re sult as an endorsement of the Mc Kinley bill or a demand on the part of the people for radical tariff legis lation. There will undoubted!y be some members who will regard it as such, but I hardly believe the party will enter into any extreme legisla tion of this kind. I would not favor any great increase of duties. On the stump in the campaign I said very plainly that I was a moderate pro tectionist, and wanted only such do ties as would insure a fair rate of wages for the workingmen of this country. I believe in so placing the Silver Purchase law? duties as to allow a healthy foreign competition. If I should see that would take that duty off. The Requestion in 1890 because they had bill of the income tax feature?" absolute control of all branches of

There is neither rhyme nor reason in this sort of talk. If there is any virtue in protection it cannot be car ried too far. It ought to go the length of prohibiting a l foreign im market. If the American manufac turers are entitled, as a matter of right, to a part of the American markets they are entitled to all of it If, on the other hand, the people of the United States are entitled to buy their goods where they can get them cheapest they are entitled to buy all their goods in that market if they choose to do so, and any abridge ment whatever of that right is an in defensible wrong to them. If protection is right it is right as an en tirety; if it is wrong it is wrong in all of its parts. Logically, there 1 no possible answer to this position Men with easy consciences may salve over a half crime to their consciencebut they do not thereby make the half crime any less a crime. There is no difference between the hal crims and the whole crime. The man who is conscious that he is committing a half crime is just as guilty in the forum of morals, and in the eyes of God, as the man who, know

ingly, commits a whole crime. But this whole idea of protection. whether moderate or extreme, is the that to have the common ground of deadly foe of national interests and that to liave the common ground of their action. No question was ever so well and so thoroughly fought out in popular discussion before them as

it. But if all parts of the world were permitted to send their pro ducts to that territory without let or hindrance a common carrier would become at once interested to find a people somewhere in the world who wanted what that area produced, and a, that area also wanted what that other people produced, this carrier would find his account in transport ing the goods of one to the other, and in bringing back the goods of the other to the former. But if there were a territory producing something which no one wanted, this intermediary would find out that that territory was capable of producing something which the inhabitants of another country-of Terra Del Fue Clinch Valley News, the question of reforming and re- go, perhaps-wanted, and he would set that territory to producing it, so from that of 1886 to that of 1892, it that he could make profitable trips to has been the great issue, and in ev Terra Del Fuego and return, by ery campaign except that of 1888 bringing the products of Terra del the Democratic party has won a de- Fuego here without embarrassment. cided victory on that issue. To con- To these exchanges, which are the tend, therefore, that the people have sources of all national prosperity, abchastised the Democratic party for solute freedom of intercouse is neceswhat they put them into power to do sary. If intercourse is perfectly free, is to question their intelligence. If backwards and forwards, going and they inflict chastisement because of returning, each community finds the NEVER GIVE UP THE SHIP. its dealings with the tariff it has other community with which it can been rather because the party did trade profitably by a law that is as the country like a cyclone in 1890 not carry it out with sufficient certain as the law of gravitation. promptness and thoroughness, and But if there is any impediment whatan overwhelming majority in Con the whole party was held responsi ever placed in the way of free exgress, with more than a million of ble for the action of a few of its rep. changes, both ways, the prosperity the popular vote in its favor, the Re resentatives in thwarting, delaying of the community is diminished to that extent.

may lie stagnant and yet be capable

of producing great wealth. Why?

It is stagnant because what it has been in the habit of producing is not

wanted by those who dwell next to

The protective tariff law oppresses tion. It did not give up the fight or many, defects in the new tariff law. the American people then most crurun away from the battlefield in But to protend that the bill caused olly in two ways. It first forces our recent defeat is simply absurd, them to buy what they use from Now that the public verdict has especially when we read in The News American manufacturers at the prices been changed and the Republicans of yesterday what leading Republi which those manufacturers choose to appear on top, why should the Dem- can papers and Congressmen at the charge, and it then shuts them off ocratic party become demoralized at North, including John Sherman him-from all opportunities to find the the result and give up the ghost in self, have to say up on the McKinley people who can trade to the best ad despair? Why should any Democrat bill, and the improving prospects of vantage with them, and forces them sulk in his tent and think that the the business in the country. The thereby to stand idle when they Republicans have another thirty Democrats must not be such cowards could be engaged in most prefitable years lesse upon the government? as to abandon their own principles work if they were only allowed to And yet, there are Democrats of that and measures because defeat has hunt out the other people who wantsort of temperament and cowardice met them at one stage of the cam ed their wares and had other wares paign. The first and second battle to give in exchange, which the Amerright spirited and thoughtful Demo of Manassas, unfortunately, were not ican people wanted, which they could crats of the country. There is no the last battles of the civil war .- bring back without hindrance. What folly! What criminality!-Times.

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